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Sir:

In response to the copy of a Final Office Action originally mailed August 25, 2003, and the PTO's decision to withdraw holding of abandonment, both mailed October 20, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A request for continued examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.